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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE, AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS

 (Currently amended) A method for parameterizing an apparatus, comprising the steps of:

inputting a dataset of having at least one parameter with a data input device that is connected with the apparatus via a datalink, the <u>at least one parameter dataset</u> including <u>a</u> at least one parameter number identifier and a parameter value:

transmitting the inputted dataset to the apparatus;

decemposing extracting from each parameter of the dataset received at the apparatus [[into]] the at least one parameter number identifier and the parameter value:

assigning to the at least one parameter number and the parameter value a memory address in a parameter memory based on the at least one parameter number identifier;

separately storing the at least one parameter number identifier and the parameter value at the <u>assigned</u> memory address;

returning to the data input device the separately stored at least one parameter number identifier and the parameter value stored at the assigned memory address;

comparing at the data input device the returned stored at least one parameter number identifier and the stored parameter value with the corresponding transmitted at least one parameter number identifier and parameter value of the inputted dataset; and

releasing the received dataset if the returned stored at least one parameter number identifier and the stored parameter value are identical to the corresponding [[ones]] at least one parameter number identifier and parameter value of the inputted dataset.

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2. (Canceled)

- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing includes inverting a bit pattern of the received dataset, and inverting a bit pattern of the returned stored at least one parameter number identifier and parameter value.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing includes a
 visual comparison between the returned stored at least one parameter
 number identifier and parameter value and the corresponding ones of the
 inputted dataset.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing includes an automatic comparison between the returned stored at least one parameter number identifier and parameter value and the corresponding ones of the inputted dataset.